North Dakota

Office of State
Tax Commissioner

2000 Financial institution tax

Form 35 instruction booklet



This booklet contains: Program installation instructions General instructions Schedule instructions

To All Financial Institutions:

This instruction booklet will help you complete the financial institution tax return, Form 35. Use these instructions with the financial institution tax compact disc (CD). More information on this program is available on page one of this booklet and on the Office of State Tax Commissioner's web site. Just click on the Electronic Filing button and then click on the Financial Institutions button. If you need the financial institution tax CD, contact us at 701-328-2046.

As you prepare your return, please consider the following questions:

- Who must file? Form 35 must be used by financial institutions as defined in North Dakota Century Code § 57-35.3-01(2). The definition of a financial institution is given on page one of this booklet.
- What are the computer equipment requirements? The equipment required to install and run the software is identified on page one of this booklet.
- What if I do not have the necessary computer equipment? Alternative procedures are outlined in this booklet if you don't have access to the necessary equipment.
- What is the Office of State Tax Commissioner's Web Site address? Access our web site at www.state.nd.us/taxdpt to download forms, send messages and find other information.

If you have questions as you are completing this return, contact us by:

- e-mailing *taxinfo@state.nd.us*;
- writing 600 E Boulevard Avenue Bismarck ND 58505-0599; or
- calling (701) 328-2046.

Check out our web site! www.state.nd.us/taxdpt

New: Schedule RZ

into to clay The 1999 North Dakota Legislature passed legislation authorizing a North Dakota city to apply to the state for designation of part of the city as a renaissance zone. It is a tool that cities can use to redevelop and revitalize a portion of their communities to attract and retain residents and businesses. Property, income and financial institution tax incentives are available to taxpayers for qualified investments in zone projects. The tax incentives, other than property tax incentives, are administered by the North Dakota Office of State Tax Commissioner.

For the 2000 tax year, a new supplemental form will be required of individuals, financial institutions and corporations claiming any of the income tax and financial institution tax incentives. The new form, Schedule RZ, Renaissance Zone Act exemptions and credits, must be completed and attached to the North Dakota tax return. To obtain Schedule RZ, contact the Office of State Tax Commissioner.

For information on existing North Dakota renaissance zones and project qualifications, write the North Dakota Division of Community Services, State Capitol, 14th Floor, 600 East Boulevard Ave, Bismarck, ND 58505-0170; or call them at (701) 328-2094.

For information on property tax incentives to taxpayers for qualified investments, contact the city assessor for the city in which the zone is located.

We're on the web

The North Dakota Office of State Tax Commissioner is on the web! Our web site at www.state.nd.us/taxdpt allows you to find tax forms, North Dakota income tax law and regulations, department reports and publications, as well as the latest news releases. We've also included links to other helpful web sites, department contact information, electronic filing and payment information and much more.

How to reach us

Commissioner's office (701) 328-2770

Financial institution tax (701) 328-2046

Speech/hearing impaired (call Relay North Dakota) 800-366-6888 (ask for 701-328-2046)

Fax (701) 328-3700

Web site www.state.nd.us/taxdpt

Where to file and pay

Mail to:

Office of State Tax Commissioner State Capitol 600 East Boulevard Avenue Bismarck, ND 58505-0599

Make check or money order payable to: State Tax Commissioner

Specific instructions for the financial institution tax program

The 2000 financial institution tax computer program, developed in a menu format, is available on compact disc (CD). On screen buttons, instructions, and prompts are provided to assist in operating the program and completing the return.

Obtain the North Dakota 2000 Financial Institution tax program CD by:

- calling 701-328-2046;
- e-mailing Office of State Tax Commissioner at taxinfo@state.nd.us; or
- downloading the 2000 institution tax program CD request form at www.state.nd.us/taxdpt/electronic_filing/ fit2000/cdrequest.pdf

To enter data (dollar amounts must be entered as whole dollars) use the "Tab" key to move to the data input fields; to move backward in the data input fields, use the "Tab" and "Shift" keys together. Corrections are easy: tab to the data input field and re-enter the correct data. Use the mouse pointer to click the desired options, and to answer the "yes"/"no" questions.

A second return may be completed (after saving the just completed return) by returning to the Main Menu and selecting "Start New Return." <u>Caution</u>: when the "Start New Return" option is selected, all data previously entered in the program will be automatically deleted and a blank Form 35 and supporting schedules will be opened.

Test the program a few weeks before April 15, so that difficulties completing the program can be resolved before payment is due. Delete any "test" data entered into the schedules by clicking on the "Start New Return" button on the Main Menu before beginning the return to be filed

The return can be saved to diskette, the hard drive, or to a network drive for the taxpayer's records. When remitting a diskette to the Office of State Tax Commissioner, the return must be saved under the name "2000FITRTN.MDB" on the diskette.

Equipment requirements

- IBM compatible personal computer using a pentium microprocessor;
- Minimum of 16 MB of RAM (32 MB recommended);
- Approximately 160 MB of available hard disk space;

- VGA 256 or higher resolution monitor;
- · Keyboard and mouse;
- 3½" high-density disk drive;
- · CD Rom drive:
- Microsoft Windows 95 (or later version); and
- One 3½" high-density diskette.

If you don't have the equipment required, contact the Office of State Tax Commissioner by calling 701-328-2046.

Install the program

Close all applications before beginning the installation.

- If you have Microsoft Access 2000 installed on your computer, and you have Internet access, you can download the 2000 Financial Institution Tax Program and run it in Access 2000. For downloading instructions, check our web site at www.state.nd.us/taxdpt/electronic_filing/ fit2000/fit2000.html.
- If you do not have internet capabilities, or Microsoft Access 2000 installed on your computer, insert the 2000 financial institution tax program CD into the CD ROM drive. The program may prompt you to update files. Choosing yes will cause your computer to reboot. You will then have to open the CD Rom drive in Windows Explorer and double click on the "setup.exe" file

If you have Microsoft Access 2000, you will be welcomed to the ND Financial Institution Tax program and asked to click the button to install the program.

If you do not have Access 2000, setup will close and launch the Microsoft Access 2000 Runtime setup program. Once the Runtime installation has been completed successfully, you will be welcomed to the ND Financial Institution Tax program and asked to click the button to install the program.

Click on "continue" and "ok" on the next two screens. After installing the 2000 Financial Institution Tax program (you may need to close Windows Explorer), open the program "Financial Institution Tax Program."

If the program is properly installed on the computer, the Main Menu will appear on the monitor. From the Main Menu, select an option by clicking on the appropriate button.

Uninstall the program

To uninstall the program, use the "Add/Remove Programs" found on the computer's control panel under Program, Settings. The program to remove is named "Financial Institution Tax Program."

For technical assistance on installing or running the program, call 701-328-3383.

General instructions

Who must file

A financial institution located or doing business within North Dakota must file a North Dakota financial institution tax return, Form 35.

A financial institution includes:

- 1. A corporation or other business entity registered under state law as a bank holding company, registered under the Bank Holding Company Act of 1956, as amended, or registered as a savings and loan holding company under the National Housing Act, as amended;
- A national bank organized and existing as a national bank under the National Bank Act;
- A savings association or federal savings bank as defined under the Federal Deposit Insurance Act;
- **4.** A bank or thrift institution incorporated or organized under the laws of any state;
- A trust company organized under the laws of any state, the United States, a dependency or insular possession of the United States, or a foreign country;
- **6.** A corporation organized under Public Law 63.6, § 25A (relating to foreign banking);
- An agency or branch of a foreign depository as defined under Public Law 95-369:
- **8.** A production credit association organized under the Farm Credit Act of 1933;
- 9. A corporation whose voting stock is more than 50% owned directly or indirectly by any of the entities described in 1 through 8 above. This does not include an insurance company taxable under N.D.C.C. § 26.1-03-17 or a corporation taxable under N.D.C.C. ch. 57-38;
- 10. A corporation or other business entity deriving more than 50% of its total gross income for financial accounting purposes from finance leases; or
- 11. Any other person or business entity deriving more than 50% of its gross income from activities that entities described in 2 through 8 and 10 above are authorized to transact. This does not include an insurance company taxable under N.D.C.C. § 26.1-03-17, a real estate broker, a securities dealer, or a person or entity taxable under N.D.C.C. ch. 57-38.

How to file

Form 35 must be filed on a 3½" diskette. The return consists of a properly completed Form 35 contained on the diskette, a properly completed and signed 2000 Financial Institution Tax Diskette Remittance Form, and all required enclosures.

Taxable year

Form 35 must be completed on a calendar year (*January through December*) basis, regardless of the taxable year used for federal tax purposes.

Financial institutions whose federal taxable year ends on a date other than December 31 must enclose a statement reconciling their fiscal year tax information to a calendar year basis.

A financial institution which was previously subject to the provisions of N.D.C.C. ch. 57-38 and filed its North Dakota corporation income tax return, Form 40, on a fiscal year basis, is now required to file its financial institution tax return, Form 35, on a calendar year basis. If applicable, a Form 40 must be completed for the full fiscal year ending in 2000, and a financial institution tax return must be completed for the short period beginning in 2000 and ending on December 31, 2000.

When to file

Form 35 must be filed on or before April 15 following the end of the calendar year.

Extension of time to file. An extension of time to file Form 35 may be obtained in one of the following ways:

Federal extension

If an extension of time to file the federal income tax return is obtained, the federal extension is automatically accepted for North Dakota financial institution tax purposes. The extension of time to file Form 35 is the <u>same number of months</u> as the extension of time to file the federal return.

State extension

If a federal extension is not obtained, or if an extension of time beyond the time period covered by a federal extension is needed, a North Dakota extension may be obtained by completing and filing North Dakota Form F-101, or by submitting a written request prior to the due date (or extended due date) of the return.

If an extension is obtained, check the extension box at the top of Form 35, page 1 and enclose a copy of the federal extension form or the approved North Dakota extension request to Form 35.

An extension of time to file Form 35 does not extend the time to pay any net tax liability due. If an extension of time to file the return is obtained, see "Payment of tax" on page 3 for information on how and when to pay.

Short period return

A corporation required to file a federal short period return must file a North Dakota short period return for the same taxable period. The North Dakota return is due on or before the 15th day of the fourth month following the close of the short period.

When filing a short period return, be sure to check the short period box at the top of Form 35. Label the diskette with the words "Short Period Form 35".

Statement for pass-through entity owners

On or before the due date (*or extended due date*) for filing Form 35, a financial institution that is a Subchapter S corporation or partnership, or a limited liability company treated like a partnership, must give a statement to each shareholder, partner or member--limited to individuals, estates or trusts--containing all of the following:

- **1.** Name, address and federal EIN of the financial institution;
- Calendar year for which the statement is provided;
- 3. An amount, identified as "N.D.C.C. ch. 57-35.3 adjustment amount," equal to the shareholder's, partner's or member's pro rata share of the adjustment amount below:
 - If the Single Entity Method is used to complete Form 35, the adjustment amount is determined by subtracting the amount on Schedule B, line 16 from the amount on page 1, line 1 and multiplying the difference by the apportionment factor (page 1, line 5). Add to this result the amount on page 1, line 7 and subtract the amount on page 1, line 11. (Federal income tax assigned to exempt income on line 11 must be added back.)
 - If the Combined Report Method is used to complete Form 35, the adjustment amount is determined by subtracting the amount on Schedule B, line 16 from the amount on Schedule A, line 3 and multiplying the difference by the apportionment factor (page 1, line 5). Add to this result the amount on page 1, line 7 and subtract the amount on page 1, line 11. (Federal income tax assigned to exempt income on line 11 must be added back); and

4. The statement: This statement contains information that is important to the preparation of your North Dakota income tax return. For instructions on how to report this information on your North Dakota income tax return, contact the North Dakota Office of State Tax Commissioner and ask for the Income Tax Guideline: Adjustment For Income (Loss) From S Corporation, Partnership or LLC Subject To N.D.C.C. ch. 57-35.3.

Enclosures

A complete copy of the federal income tax return as filed with the Internal Revenue Service must be enclosed with Form 35.

Reporting methods

The North Dakota financial institution tax applies only to that portion of a financial institution's taxable income which is derived from or attributable to sources within North Dakota.

A financial institution must file using the applicable method below:

Single entity method

Except where the combined report method applies, a financial institution must use the single entity method of filing.

Combined report method

The combined report method must be used if the financial institution is engaged in a unitary business and one or more of the corporations in the unitary group conducts business outside North Dakota.

A unitary business is a group of corporations carrying on activities in which its component parts transfer value among themselves through:

- Unity of ownership—The group is under the common control of a single corporation, which is also a member of the group. Control exists when the single corporation owns, directly or indirectly, more than 50% of the voting stock of another corporation;
- Unity of operation—The group receives benefits from functional integration or economies of scale; and
- Unity of use—The group contributes to or receives benefits from centralized management and policy information.

A consolidated North Dakota financial institution tax return may not be filed by two or more financial institutions, even though the combined report method applies. Each financial institution must file its own return.

Incomplete return

All applicable lines on Form 35 must be completed. A return with incomplete lines or schedules, or with notations such as "see attached statement" or "available upon audit," is not properly filed and will be returned to the taxpayer.

Payment of tax

The financial institution net tax liability is payable as follows:

State general fund portion— Due APRIL 15, 2001

The state general fund portion of the net tax liability (on Form 35, page 1, line 23) must be paid on or before April 15 following the end of the taxable year. If an extension of time to file the return is obtained, the financial institution must determine the state general fund portion of its net tax liability and remit this amount along with Form 35PV, North Dakota Financial Institution Payment Voucher. The Form 35PV is located on the Main Menu of the computer program under "Payment Voucher."

Financial institution tax distribution fund portion— Due JANUARY 15, 2002

The financial institution tax distribution fund portion of the net tax liability (on Form 35, page 1, line 23) must be paid on or before January 15 of the second year following the taxable year. The Office of State Tax Commissioner will send a payment notification to the financial institution prior to the January 15 due date.

Payment for each portion of the tax must be made by check or money order payable to: **State Tax Commissioner.**

Penalty and interest

The Office of State Tax Commissioner will notify the taxpayer of any penalty and interest owed on tax due and any interest accrued on a refund. If desired, penalty and interest may be computed and entered on the return by the taxpayer.

If the full amount of the tax is not paid by the due date, the current provisions for penalty and interest are:

- A penalty equal to 5% of the tax due or \$5.00, whichever is greater; and
- Interest computed at the rate of 1% per month (or a fraction of a month), of the tax due except the month in which the tax became due.

If the return is not filed by the due date (or extended due date), a penalty of 5% of the net tax liability or \$5.00, whichever is greater, applies for the month in which the return is due, with an additional 5% for each additional month (or a fraction of a month) during which the delinquency continues, not to exceed 25% of the net tax liability.

If there is an overpayment on Form 35, page 1, line 31, interest at the rate of 1% per month or fraction of a month accrues on the overpayment beginning forty-five days after the due date of the return (without extension) or after the date the return is filed, whichever date is later.

Amended returns

In general, an amended return must be filed if:

- An amended federal income tax return is filed:
- North Dakota income is changed as the result of a federal audit;
- An error is discovered on a previously filed return; or
- A refund of federal income tax deducted on a previously filed North Dakota return is received.

Amended returns for taxable years beginning before January 1, 1997. Except for taxpayers who filed Form 40, obtain a blank copy of the applicable form for the taxable year affected. Write "Amended" at the top of the form and complete the form using the revised information.

Taxpayers who filed Form 40 must use Form 40X.

Amended returns for taxable years beginning after December 31, 1996. Access the Form 35 program for the appropriate taxable year from the Office of State Tax Commissioner's home page. Using the revised information, complete the form through the net tax liability line, then complete the amended return only portion of the form. Be sure to check the amended box at the top of Form 35. Label the diskette with the words "Amended Form 35".

Instructions for page 1

Line 1

Federal taxable income

Check the box for the reporting method used to complete the return and enter the federal taxable income reportable under that method. (See **Reporting methods** on page 2 of the general instructions to determine which method must be used.)

If the **Single Entity Method** is used for both North Dakota and federal purposes, enter the federal taxable income from:

- Federal Form 1120, line 30; or
- Federal Form 1120-A, line 26; or
- Federal Form 1120S, Schedule K, line 23; or
- Federal Form 1065, Analysis of Net Income (Loss) Schedule, Line 1.

If the **Single Entity Method** is used for North Dakota purposes and the financial institution is included in a consolidated Federal Form 1120, enter the financial institution's federal taxable income before consolidating adjustments/ eliminations from:

- A pro forma separate company federal income tax return, line 30; or
- The schedule showing gross income and deductions, which supports the consolidated federal taxable income.

If the **Combined Report Method** is used, enter the amount from Schedule A, line 9.

Line 7

Income allocated to North Dakota

Enter nonbusiness income allocated to North Dakota less related expenses. Nonbusiness income is allocated to North Dakota if the income is attributable to North Dakota. Expenses must be attributed to this income in a manner which fairly distributes all of the financial institution's expenses to its various types of income.

Line 11

Renaissance Zone income exemptions

If the financial institution is claiming exempt income as a result of the Renaissance Zone Act, enter the amount from Schedule RZ, Part 6, line 3. Attach the completed Schedule RZ. Schedule RZ can be obtained by contacting the Office of State Tax Commissioner at (701)328-2046.

Line 12

North Dakota loss carryforward

A net operating loss attributable to North Dakota sources incurred for a taxable year beginning after December 31, 1990, is deductible for financial institution tax purposes. A North Dakota net operating loss may only be carried forward for the same number of years allowed under federal income tax law. Enter the accumulated amount of North Dakota net operating losses incurred for taxable years beginning after December 31, 1990, less the accumulated amount of the same losses previously deducted.

In the case of a financial institution that was subject to N.D.C.C. ch. 57-38 for taxable years beginning before January 1, 1997, a net operating loss attributable to North Dakota sources incurred for *any taxable year* is deductible for financial institution tax purposes. A North Dakota net operating loss may only be carried forward for the same number of years allowed under federal income tax law. Enter the accumulated amount of North Dakota net operating losses incurred less the accumulated amount of the same losses previously deducted.

Enclose a worksheet showing the amount of North Dakota net operating loss incurred and deducted for each year.

Line 17

Tax credits

These credits may not reduce the financial institution tax liability below the \$50.00 minimum.

Small Business Investment Company Tax Credit

If the financial institution made a qualifying investment in the North Dakota Small Business Investment Company, enter 50% of the amount invested. Any unused credit may be carried forward up to seven calendar years.

Enclose a copy of the North Dakota SBIC Investment Reporting Form.

. Housing Development Fund Tax Credit

If the financial institution made or participated in a loan from a Housing Development Fund, enter the difference between the financial institution's share of interest earned on the loan and the financial institution's share of interest that would have been earned at a treasury rate plus 3%. Any unused credit may not be carried forward.

Enclose a schedule identifying each North Dakota county within which are located housing development projects funded by loans for which credits are claimed. Identify the location and the dollar amount of credit attributable to each project within each county.

Renaissance Zone Tax Credit

If the financial institution is claiming a tax credit as a result of the Renaissance Zone Act, enter the amount from Schedule RZ, Part 6, line 7. Attach the completed Schedule RZ. Schedule RZ can be obtained by contacting the Office of State Tax Commissioner at (701)328-2046.

Lines 21 and 22

Contributions

Tax credits are available for making contributions to qualifying nonprofit private institutions of secondary and higher education located in North Dakota (including the North Dakota Independent College Fund). The credits are available if the contribution(s) are made by the due date of this return (without extension). The tax credits may reduce only the state general fund portion of the financial institution tax liability, but not below the \$14.00 minimum (2/7 of the \$50.00 total minimum tax). The tax credit for contributions made to all eligible schools in each category of institution is equal to the lesser of:

- 50% of the contributions;
- 5.7% (.057) of the financial institution tax balance on line 18; or
- \$2,500.00.

Enter on line 21 the tax credit computed for contributions to nonprofit private institutions of higher education (and the North Dakota Independent College Fund), and enter on line 22 the tax credit computed for contributions to nonprofit private institutions of secondary education.

For each contribution, enclose a copy of a receipt from the nonprofit private institution or a cancelled check (front and back).

Line 23

Net tax liability

The state general fund portion of the net tax liability is due April 15 following the end of the taxable year. The minimum tax due is \$14.00.

The financial institution tax distribution fund portion of the net tax liability is due January 15 of the second year following the taxable year. The minimum tax due is \$36.00. The Office of State Tax Commissioner will send a payment notification to the financial institution prior to the January 15 due date.

Each payment must be made by check or money order payable to:

State Tax Commissioner

Line 26

Penalty and interest

See **Penalty and interest** in the general instructions on page 3 for information.

Amended return only (Lines 29 through 34)

Lines 29 through 34 apply only if this is an amended return. See **Amended returns** in the general instructions on page 3 for more information.

Line 32

(Penalty and interest)

If there is tax due on line 30, enter on this line:

- A penalty equal to 5% of the tax due or \$5.00, whichever is greater; and
- Interest computed at the rate of 1% per month (or a fraction of a month), of the tax due except the month in which the tax became due.

If there is an overpayment on line 31, contact the Office of State Tax Commissioner for penalty and interest provisions.

Instructions for Schedule A

All references to "corporation(s)" include financial institutions.

An apportioning financial institution, which is a member of a unitary group, is required to file its North Dakota Financial Institution tax return using the combined report method. See Reporting methods on page 2 of General instructions.

A "unitary group" is a group of affiliated corporations engaged in a unitary business, irrespective of the country or countries in which the corporations conduct business activity.

An "affiliated corporation" means a parent corporation and any corporation of which more than fifty percent of the voting stock is owned directly or indirectly by the parent corporation or another member of the unitary group.

A financial institution filing its North Dakota income tax return using the combined report method must include only the apportionment factors and statutory adjustments of the unitary group.

Instructions for Schedule B

North Dakota statutory adjustments must be made on a basis consistent with the filing method indicated on Form 35, page 1, line 1.

Additions

Line 3

Taxes measured by income

Enter all taxes, including franchise and privilege taxes, measured by income which were paid to any taxing authority (including a foreign country) and deducted in determining federal taxable income.

Line 4

Interest income from state and local obligations

Enter interest income from state and local obligations, including the State of North Dakota and its political subdivisions, which is exempt from federal income tax.

Line 5

Federal charitable contributions deduction

Enter the amount of charitable contributions deducted in determining federal taxable income under Section 170 of the Internal Revenue Code.

Line 6

Federal bad debt reserve deduction (Applies only to a building and loan or a savings and loan association)

Enter the amount of a bad debt reserve deduction computed in determining federal taxable income under Section 585 of the Internal Revenue Code.

Subtractions

Line 9

North Dakota domestic dividend exclusion (Applies only to a bank holding company or a savings and loan holding company)

Enter dividends received from a corporation subject to North Dakota tax under N.D.C.C. ch. 57-38 (relating to income tax) or N.D.C.C. ch. 57-35.3 (relating to financial institution tax). The amount of dividends that may be entered on this line is equal to the dividends received multiplied by the payor corporation's North Dakota apportionment factor.

Line 10

Bad debt deduction

(Applies only to a building and loan or a savings and loan association, use this line only if an entry is made on Schedule B, line 6.)

If the bad debt reserve method under Section 585 of the Internal Revenue Code is used to account for bad debts for federal income tax purposes, enter an amount equal to the deduction that would have been allowed under Section 166(a) of the Internal Revenue Code if a deduction had not been claimed under Section 585 or 593 of the Internal Revenue Code.

Line 11

I.R.C. § 593(g) adjustment

Enter the amount of any adjustment taken into account for federal income tax purposes under Section 593(g) of the Internal Revenue Code.

Line 12

Expenses related to federally-exempt income

Enter any interest expense and other expenses relating to income exempt from federal income tax if:

- The federally-exempt income is taxable under the financial institution tax; and
- The interest expense and other expenses were disallowed as deductions in determining federal taxable income under Sections 171(a)(2), 265, or 291 of the Internal Revenue Code.

Line 14

Charitable contributions deduction

Enter an amount equal to the deduction for charitable contributions that would be allowed for federal income tax purposes under Section 170 of the Internal Revenue Code if the percentage limitation under Section 170(b)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code was applied in all relevant taxable years to North Dakota taxable income rather than federal taxable income. For this purpose, North Dakota taxable income is to be computed without regard to the deduction on this line and, if applicable, the deduction on Schedule B, line 10. In addition, no deduction is allowed for a contribution made to a nonprofit private institution of secondary or higher education if and to the extent that a tax credit is allowed. (See Form 35, page 1, lines 21 and

Line 15

Allocable income

Enter all nonbusiness income less related expenses. The method used to attribute expenses to nonbusiness income must fairly distribute all of the financial institution's deductions to all of its various types of income.

If an entry is made on this line, the following must be enclosed with Form 35:

- A worksheet showing each type of income or loss item allocated and its amount;
- Documentation showing the state to which the item of income or loss was allocated (a copy of the other state's tax return is preferred); and
- A narrative explaining the reasons for allocating each item of income or loss.

Instructions for Schedule C

This schedule must be completed by a financial institution that conducts its business activity within and without North Dakota, and must be completed on a basis consistent with the filing method indicated on Form 35, page 1, line 1.

The amounts to enter for property, payroll, and receipts must be for the calendar year for which the return is filed. For a complete discussion of the apportionment factor, see N.D.C.C. §§ 57-35.3-13, et. seq.

Property factor

The property factor is a fraction, the numerator of which is the average value of the financial institution's property within North Dakota and the denominator of which is the average value of the financial institution's or the unitary group's property within and without North Dakota.

Only include property for which the income or expenses are included, or would have been included if not fully depreciated or expensed, in the computation of the apportionable income base.

Do not include the value of construction in progress.

Average value of owned property. The "average value" of owned property is determined by adding the value of the property on the first and last days of the calendar year and dividing the sum by two. If this general averaging method does not properly reflect average value, the taxpayer may elect, or the tax commissioner may require, averaging on a more frequent basis. The valuation of the property depends on the type of property—see the specific line instructions for lines 1 through 6 for how to value the property. The valuation of rented property is discussed in the specific instructions for line 7.

Property located within North Dakota. In general, property is located within North Dakota if it is physically located or used within North Dakota. The following apply for determining whether certain types of property are located within North Dakota:

- Transportation property is located within North Dakota to the extent it is used within this state. A motor vehicle is deemed used entirely within North Dakota if it is registered in this state. An aircraft is deemed used within this state to the extent of the number of landings within North Dakota. If the extent of use within North Dakota cannot be determined, transportation property is deemed to be used wholly within this state if its principal base of operations is within North Dakota.
- Loans and credit card receivables are located within North Dakota if properly assigned to a regular place of business within this state. They are properly assigned if there is a preponderance of substantive contacts with a regular place of business within North Dakota. Substantive contacts—solicitation, investigation, negotiation, approval, and administration of the loan—are determined based on the facts and circumstances of each case.

Lines 1 through 3

Buildings and other fixed depreciable assets, land, and inventories

In the North Dakota column, enter the average value of buildings and other fixed depreciable assets, land, and inventories owned by the financial institution and located within North Dakota. These assets must be valued at the original cost or other basis used for federal income tax purposes without regard to depreciation, amortization or depletion.

In the Total column, enter the average value of the same types of property located or used within and without North Dakota.

Line 4

Loans

In the North Dakota column, enter the average value of loans located within North Dakota. Value loans at the outstanding principal balance without regard to any reserve for bad debts. Do not include the portion of a loan charged off or a specifically allocated reserve that is treated as charged off for federal income tax purposes.

In the Total column, enter the average value of loans located within and without North Dakota.

Line 5

Credit card receivables

In the North Dakota column, enter the average value of credit card receivables located within North Dakota. Value credit card receivables at the outstanding principal balance without regard to any reserve for bad debts. Do not include the portion of credit card receivables charged off for federal income tax purposes.

In the Total column, enter the average value of credit card receivables located within and without North Dakota.

Line 6

Other

In the North Dakota column, enter the average value of property not included on lines 1 through 5 which is located within North Dakota.

In the Total column, enter the average value of property not included on lines 1 through 5 which is located within and without North Dakota.

Line 7

Rented property

For leased real and tangible personal property located within North Dakota, enter in the North Dakota column the amount determined by multiplying the annual gross rents by eight. Do not include on this line payments for leased property which is deemed to be owned by the financial institution under federal income tax law.

In the Total column, enter the amount determined by multiplying by eight the annual gross rents on all leased real and tangible personal property that is located within and without North Dakota.

If this general valuation method results in inaccurate valuations, the taxpayer may request, or the tax commissioner may require, another method of valuation.

Payroll factor

The payroll factor is a fraction, the numerator of which is the total compensation paid within North Dakota and the denominator of which is the total compensation paid by the financial institution or the unitary group within and without North Dakota. Only include compensation included in the computation of the apportionable income base for the calendar year.

"Compensation" means wages, salaries, commissions, and any other form of remuneration paid to employees for personal services to the extent the amount is included in the employees' gross income as defined under the Internal Revenue Code.

Compensation is paid in this state if any one of the following tests, applied consecutively, is met:

- The employee's services are performed entirely within this state.
- The employee's services are performed both within and without the state, but the service performed without the state is incidental to the employee's service within the state.
- If the employee's services are performed both within and without this state, the employee's compensation must be attributed to North Dakota:
 - If the employee's principal base of operations is within North Dakota;
 - If there is no principal base of operations in any state in which some part of the services are performed, but the place from which the services are directed or controlled is in this state; or
 - 3. If the principal base of operations and the place from which the services are directed or controlled are not in any state in which some part of the service is performed but the employee's residence is in this state.

Line 9

Wages, salaries, commissions and other compensation

In the North Dakota column, enter compensation paid to employees within North Dakota for personal services.

In the Total column, enter compensation paid to employees within and without North Dakota for personal services.

Receipts factor

The receipts factor is a fraction, the numerator of which is the financial institution's receipts within North Dakota and the denominator of which is the financial institution's or the unitary group's receipts within and without North Dakota. In general, only include receipts which constitute business income and are included in the computation of the apportionable income base for the calendar year.

Line 10

Rentals and subrentals

Enter in the North Dakota column:

- Rents from the lease of real property owned by the financial institution and located within North Dakota;
- Rents from the sublease of real property located within North Dakota;
- Rents from the lease of tangible personal property (except transportation property) owned by the financial institution and located within North Dakota when first placed in service by the lessee; and
- Rents from the lease of transportation

property to the extent used in North Dakota. A motor vehicle is deemed used entirely within North Dakota if registered in this state. An aircraft is deemed to be used in this state to the extent of the number of landings in North Dakota. If the extent of use in North Dakota cannot be determined, transportation property is deemed used entirely within this state if the property has its principal base of operations in North Dakota.

In the Total column, enter total rents within and without North Dakota from the lease and sublease of the same types of property.

Line 11

Interest (including fees or penalties in the nature of interest)

Enter in the North Dakota column:

- Interest from loans secured by real property if:
 - The real property is located within North Dakota,
 - The real property is located within and without North Dakota and more than fifty percent of the fair market value of the real property is located within North Dakota, or
 - More than fifty percent of the fair market value of the real property is not located within any one state and the borrower is located within North Dakota;
- Interest from loans not secured by real property where the borrower is located within North Dakota;
- Interest from credit card receivables and fees (such as annual fees) charged to cardholders, where the cardholder's billing address is within North Dakota; and
- Interest from investment/trading assets and activities. See Investment and trading receipts in the shaded box on this page for information on what to include in the factor.

In the Total column, enter total interest receipts within and without North Dakota from the same sources.

Line 12

Net gains from sales or exchanges

"Net gains" is the sum of all gains resulting from the sale of loans, credit card receivables, and investment/trading assets. A loss resulting from such sales is excluded from the computation of net gains. Net gains must be computed for each category below.

Enter in the North Dakota column:

Investment and trading receipts

Information in this section

- Defines what is meant by investment/ trading assets and activities;
- Describes which receipts from investment/ trading assets and activities to include in the receipts factor on Schedule C; and
- Explains how to determine the amount of receipts from investment/trading assets and activities to include in the North Dakota column on lines 11, 12 and 13 of Schedule C.

Investment/trading assets and activities defined

Investment/trading assets and investment activities include:

- Investment securities;
- Trading account assets;
- · Federal funds;
- Securities purchased and sold under agreements to resell or repurchase;
- Options;
- Futures and forward contracts;
- Notional principal contracts (such as swaps);
- Equities;
- Foreign currency transactions; and
- Other investment/trading assets and activities.

Receipts to include in receipts factor on Schedule C

Interest, dividends, net gains from sales or exchanges, and other income from investment/trading assets and activities are included in the receipts factor on Schedule C. Also included are:

- The amount by which interest income from federal funds sold and securities purchased under resale agreements exceeds interest expense on federal funds purchased and securities sold under repurchase agreements; and
- The amount by which interest, dividends, gains and other income from trading assets and activities (including assets and activities in the matched book, in the

arbitrage book, and foreign currency transactions) exceeds amounts paid in lieu of interest and dividends plus losses from the same assets and activities.

Receipts from investment/ trading assets and activities to include in the North Dakota column on lines 11, 12 and 13 of Schedule C

The amount of receipts from investment/ trading assets and activities to include in the North Dakota column on lines 11, 12 and 13 of Schedule C must be determined under one of the following methods:

Method 1 (Average value method)

Under this method, multiply the income from investment/trading assets and activities by the following fraction:

AVERAGE VALUE of investment/trading assets assigned to a regular place of business within North Dakota

AVERAGE VALUE of all investment/trading assets within and without North Dakota

For this purpose, "AVERAGE VALUE" is determined in the same manner as the average value of tangible personal property is determined for property factor purposes. See instructions for **Property Factor** on page 5.

Method 2 (Gross income method)

Under this method, multiply the income from investment/trading assets and activities by the following fraction:

GROSS INCOME of investment/trading assets assigned to a regular place of business within

GROSS INCOME of all investment/trading assets within and without North Dakota

If the taxpayer elects, or the tax commissioner requires the use of Method 2 (Gross income method), the taxpayer must use Method 2 on all subsequent tax returns unless the taxpayer obtains prior permission from the tax commissioner to use, or the tax commissioner requires, a different method.

For more information regarding investment and trading receipts, refer to N.D.C.C. § 57-35.3-15(13).

- Net gains from the sale of loans secured by real property, (including income recorded under the coupon stripping rules of Section 1286 of the Internal Revenue Code) determined by multiplying the net gains by a fraction, the numerator and denominator of which consist of the respective amounts of interest from all loans secured by real property reported in the receipts factor on line 11;
- Net gains from the sale of loans not secured by real property, (including income recorded under the coupon stripping rules of Section 1286 of the Internal Revenue Code) determined by multiplying the net gains by a fraction, the numerator and denominator of which consists of the respective amounts of interest from all loans not secured by real property reported in the receipts factor on line 11;
- Net gains from the sale of credit card receivables determined by multiplying the net gains by a fraction, the numerator and denominator of which consist of the respective amounts of interest from all credit card receivables included in the receipts factor on line 11; and
- Net gains from the sale of investment/ trading assets. See Investment and trading receipts in the shaded box on page 7 for information on what to include in the factor.

In the Total column, enter the total net gains within and without North Dakota from the same sources.

Line 13

Dividends

In the North Dakota column, enter dividends from investment/trading assets and activities. See **Investment and trading receipts** in the shaded box on page 7 for information on what to include in the factor.

In the Total column, enter total dividends from investment/trading assets and activities within and without North Dakota.

Line 14

Loan servicing fees

Enter in the North Dakota column:

- Loan servicing fees for loans owned by the financial institution and secured by real property, multiplied by a fraction, the numerator and denominator of which consist of the respective amounts of interest from all loans secured by real property reported in the receipts factor on line 11;
- Loan servicing fees related to loans owned

- by the financial institution and *not secured* by real property, multiplied by a fraction, the numerator and denominator of which consist of the respective amounts of interest from all loans *not secured* by real property reported in the receipts factor on line 11; and
- Loan servicing fees received for servicing secured or unsecured loans of others if the borrower is located within North Dakota.

In the Total column, enter total loan servicing fees within and without North Dakota from the same sources.

Line 15

Other

Enter in the North Dakota column:

- Receipts from credit card merchant discount
 if the commercial domicile of the merchant
 is within North Dakota. Reduce these
 receipts by any related cardholder
 chargebacks. Do not reduce these receipts
 by any interchange transaction fees or by
 any issuer's reimbursement fees paid to
 another for charges made by its
 cardholders;
- Credit card issuer's reimbursement fees equal to the amount determined by multiplying the fees by a fraction, the numerator and denominator of which consist of the respective amounts of interest from all credit card receivables included in the receipts factor on line 11;
- Receipts from services not otherwise apportioned if:
 - 1. The services are performed within North Dakota; or
 - The services are performed within and without North Dakota and a greater proportion of the income-producing activity is performed within North Dakota based on cost of performance; and
- Any other receipts, including receipts from investment/trading assets and activities, not specifically described in the instructions for lines 10 through 14 which are properly included in the apportionable income base.

In the Total column, enter total other receipts within and without North Dakota from the same sources.

Line 16

Throwback receipts

If the financial institution's commercial domicile is in North Dakota, enter on this line (in the North Dakota column) any receipts included in the denominator but not in the numerator of lines 10 through 15 which were not assigned to any state.

Instructions for Schedule D

Use the line instructions that apply to the box that is checked on Form 35, page 1, line 1.

Single Entity Method

A financial institution filing as a single entity for **both** North Dakota and federal purposes must complete lines 1, 2, 3, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13 and 19. Enter 1.000000 on line 6.

A financial institution filing as a single entity for North Dakota purposes **and** included in a consolidated Federal Form 1120 must complete lines 1-13 and 19.

Line 1

Federal income tax liability

Enter the federal income tax liability from the federal income tax return filed with the IRS as follows:

- If Federal Form 1120 was used, enter the amount from line 31; or
- If Federal Form 1120-A was used, enter the amount from line 27; or
- If Federal Form 1120S was used, enter the investment credit recapture tax computed on Federal Form 4255 and included on line 22c.

Line 2a

Alternative minimum taxable income adjustments

Enter the total amount of adjustments from Federal Form 4626, Page 1, that *do not* become a part of North Dakota net income.

Line 2b

Adjusted current earnings adjustments

Enter 75% of the total Federal adjusted current earnings (ACE) adjustments from the Federal ACE worksheet, that *do not* become a part of North Dakota net income.

Line 2d

Federal alternative minimum taxable income

Enter the amount of the financial institution's Federal alternative minimum taxable income from the federal form 4626.

Line 2f

Federal alternative minimum tax

Enter the financial institution's Federal alternative minimum tax. Enclose a worksheet.

Line 4

Federal income tax liability

Enter the financial institution's federal income tax liability. Enclose a worksheet substantiating this computation.

Line 5

Profit company federal income tax liability

Enter the total federal income tax liability for all corporations included in the consolidated federal return with each corporation's federal income tax liability computed on a pro forma separate company return. The separate company tax liability of any corporation which does not result in a positive tax liability shall be zero. Enclose a worksheet substantiating this computation.

Line 9

Income not taxable to North Dakota

Enter the income (*before* apportionment) included on line 8 not taxable to North Dakota, such as income allocated outside North Dakota.

Combined Report Method

The following line instructions apply to a financial institution filing its North Dakota return using the combined report method.

If a financial institution tax return includes income from more than one federal tax return, a separate pro forma Schedule D must be completed for each financial institution that filed a federal tax return. The amounts on lines 1, 2, 3, 7, 8 and 12 from the separate pro forma Schedule D's must be aggregated and the totals entered on the appropriate lines on the financial institution's Form 35.

Enclose a worksheet substantiating the computations on the separate pro forma schedules.

Line 1

Federal income tax liability

Enter the federal income tax liability from the federal income tax return filed with the IRS as follows:

- If Federal Form 1120 was used, enter amount from line 31; or
- If Federal Form 1120-A was used, enter the amount from line 27; or
- If Federal Form 1120S was used, enter the investment credit recapture tax computed on Federal Form 4255 and included on line 22c.

Line 2a

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Line 2b

Adjusted current earnings adjustments

Enter 75% of the total Federal adjusted current earnings (ACE) adjustments from the Federal ACE worksheet, that *do not* become a part of North Dakota net income.

Line 2d

Federal alternative minimum taxable income

If a member of a Federal consolidated group, enter the amount of Federal alternative minimum taxable income from the consolidated Federal Form 4626.

Line 2f

Federal alternative minimum tax

If a member of a Federal consolidated group, enter the amount of Federal alternative minimum tax from the consolidated Federal Form 1120, Schedule J.

Line 4

Federal income tax liability

Enter the separate company pro forma federal income tax liability for all of the unitary corporations which are included in the consolidated federal return. The separate company tax liability of any corporation which does not result in a positive tax liability shall be zero. Enclose a worksheet substantiating this computation.

Line 5

Profit company federal income tax liability

Enter the total pro forma separate company federal income tax liability for all corporations included in the consolidated federal return. The separate company tax liability of any corporation which does not result in a positive tax liability shall be zero. Enclose a worksheet substantiating this computation.

Line 8

Federal taxable income

Enter the total federal taxable income for all unitary corporations whose income is included in the Federal Form 1120. Enclose a worksheet substantiating this computation.

Line 9

Income not taxable to North Dakota

Enter the income *(before apportionment)* included on line 8 not taxable to North Dakota such as income allocated outside North Dakota.

Line 15

Total Income

1 Federal taxable income (from

"Total income" is federal taxable income of those corporations which are included in the unitary group and are required to file a federal income tax return, plus or minus the adjustments (*before apportionment*) provided in N.D.C.C. § 57-35.3-02, except for the federal income tax deduction. Use the following computation table to determine the total income to be entered on line 15.

	Schedule D, line 8)	
2.	Total additions (from page 1, line 2)	
3.	Balance (Add lines 1 and 2)	
4.	Total subtractions (from page 1, line 3)	
5.	Balance (Subtract line 4 from line 3)	
6.	Net intercompany adjustments in lines 2 and 4	
7.	Total income (Subtract line 6	

Line 16

Income relating to federal foreign tax credit Enter the total taxable income from sources without the U.S., after loss recapture as computed on Federal form(s) 1118, Part II, Schedule B or Federal form(s) 5735.

Instructions for Schedule E

on Schedule D, line 15_

North Dakota Schedule E is used to compute the deduction and carryforward of Federal Alternative Minimum Tax (AMT) which has been disallowed.

Federal AMT may be deducted only if a federal credit for prior year minimum tax is claimed; however, the deduction may not create or increase a North Dakota net operating loss.

The deduction of federal AMT disallowed is used to reduce North Dakota income on Form 35, page 1. Any portion of the disallowed federal AMT remaining after 2000 may be carried forward to future calendar years and used to reduce North Dakota income when a federal credit for prior year minimum tax is claimed.

For more information regarding the deduction and carryforward of alternative minimum tax, refer to North Dakota Century Code § 57-38-01.3(1)(c) and North Dakota Administrative Code ch. 81-03-05.5.